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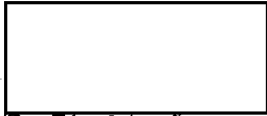
MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, FBIS

SUBJECT : Machine Translation Seminar

1. The agenda for the seminar is now quite firm as to content, although we continue to shift presentations to accommodate speakers. The attendees are less certain. The attached list indicates those invited. We have been swamped by requests for attendance--including one call from an American military officer in Thailand. The conference has not been publicized by FBIS, but the act of consultation with MT-wise personalities resulted in widespread knowledge of the seminar throughout the tight little world of linguists.

2. FBIS intends the conference for its own purposes--to see what MT developments relate to our mission and to determine whether we are appropriately exploiting all available translation aids to produce the best and least costly product. Individuals from other parts of CIA represent functions associated with the language effort. Other government attendees are those involved with translation who will assess the presentation in terms of their needs.

3. FBIS will maintain a taped record of the conference and it will be summarized, although we plan no formal publication at this time. One participant who also is an editor of a trade journal has been granted permission to report the conference proceedings in the Journal of Computational Linguistics. (This report will be appropriately cleared with CIA.)


Chief, Production Group

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Attachments:

Agenda

Participants

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CONFERENCE TOPICS
Computer Aids to Translation

Sponsor - Foreign Broadcast Information Service (FBIS)

Coordinator - [REDACTED]

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Monday - March 8, 1976

STAT INTRODUCTION - [REDACTED] FBIS 9:00 - 9:20 a.m.

1. Foundations of Machine Translation

STAT Linguistics - [REDACTED] 9:20 - 10:00 a.m.
STAT Operations - [REDACTED] 10:00 - 10:40 a.m.

Break 10:40 - 10:50 a.m.

2. Developmental Machine-aided Translation Systems

STAT [REDACTED] 10:50 - 11:30 a.m.
Chinese-English - [REDACTED] 11:30 - 12:10 p.m.
Multilingual - [REDACTED] 12:10 - 12:50 p.m.

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Lunch 12:50 - 2:00 p.m.

3. Available Machine-aided Translation Systems

STAT French-English - [REDACTED] 2:00 - 2:45 p.m.
[REDACTED] 2:45 - 3:30 p.m.

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Break 3:30 - 3:45 p.m.

STAT [REDACTED] 3:45 - 4:30 p.m.

4. Demonstrations and discussion 7:00 - 10:00 p.m.

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5. Operating Experience

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[redacted] 9:00 - 9:40 a.m.
[redacted] 9:40 - 10:20 a.m.
FTD Translation - Major Lynn Hansen - 10:20 - 11:00 a.m.

Break 11:00 - 11:10 a.m.

Other Systems - Moderator 11:10 - 11:30 a.m.

6. Optical Character Recognition

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State of the Art [redacted] 11:30 - 12:00 noon
Chinese - [redacted] 12:00 - 12:30 p.m.

Lunch 12:30 - 1:30 p.m.

7. The Artificial Intelligence Contribution to Machine Translation

Meaning Representation - [redacted] 1:30 - 2:00 p.m. STAT
Context/Topic Specific Knowledge - [redacted] 2:00 - 2:30 p.m.
Semantics and World Knowledge in M-T - [redacted]
Formal Representation - [redacted] 2:30 - 3:00 p.m.
[redacted] 3:00 - 3:30 p.m.

8. Summary - Moderators and Commentators 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

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Moderators Commentators
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